RESPONSE

A Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment was received in the present application. Specifically, it was noted that claims 1 and 22 were not provided with the proper status identifier.

In the "Amendments to the Claims" section submitted herein, the identifiers for claims 1 and 22 have been revised. Reconsideration and withdrawal of the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment in view of the present Response is respectfully solicited.

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